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irradiated to a recording medium in a same emitting direction and the laser beams have different wavelengths so as to correspond to different types of recording medium,

wherein respective light emitting points of said plurality of light emitting portions are located at different positions in the emitting direction.

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(Amended) An optical pickup apparatus comprising:

a light emitting device in which a plurality of light emitting portions for emitting laser beams to be irradiated to a recording medium are formed on a substrate, and the laser beams have different wavelengths and are selectively emitted in a same emitting direction from one of said plurality of light emitting portions in accordance with the type of said recording medium; and

an optical system for guiding the laser beams emitted from said light emitting device to a recording surface of said recording medium and guiding a laser beam reflected by the recording surface of said recording medium to a photosensing device,

wherein said light emitting device is constructed so that respective light emitting points of said plurality of light emitting portions are located at different positions in the emitting direction.